United States District Court Middle District of Florida Orlando Division

JOHNSON KENNEDY III,

Plaintiff,

v.

No. 6:21-cv-348-GKS-PDB

ACTING COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

Report & Recommendation

This is an action under 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) to review a final decision of the Acting Commissioner of Social Security denying Johnson Kennedy III's application for benefits. Doc. 1. The Acting Commissioner moved to dismiss the complaint in part, answered the remainder of the complaint, and filed the administrative record. Docs. 13, 22, 23. The motion to dismiss is pending.

The Acting Commissioner now moves for an order reversing the Acting Commissioner's final decision and remanding the action to the Acting Commissioner for "further administrative proceedings, including further consideration of the evidence regarding Plaintiff's impairments." Doc. 24 at 1. Kennedy has no objection.

When reviewing a final decision of the Commissioner, a district court may "enter, upon the pleadings and transcript of the record, a judgment affirming, modifying, or reversing the decision ... with or without remanding the cause for a rehearing." 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

Considering the absence of opposition and the authority above, I recommend:

- 1. **granting** the Acting Commissioner's motion to remand, Doc. 24;
- 2. **reversing** the Acting Commissioner's decision under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g);
- 3. **remanding** the action for the Acting Commissioner for "further administrative proceedings, including further consideration of the evidence regarding Plaintiff's impairments";
- 4. **denying** as moot the motion to dismiss, Doc. 13; and
- 5. **directing** the clerk to enter judgment in favor of Johnson Kennedy III and against the Acting Commissioner of Social Security and close the file.*

Entered in Jacksonville, Florida, on September 10, 2020.

Patricia D. Barksdale United States Magistrate Judge

^{*}Within 14 days after being served with a copy of [a report and recommendation on a dispositive motion], a party may serve and file specific written objections to the proposed findings and recommendations." Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b)(2). "A party may respond to another party's objections within 14 days after being served with a copy." *Id.* A party's failure to serve and file specific objections to the proposed findings and recommendations alters the scope of review by the District Judge and the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, including waiver of the right to challenge anything to which no specific objection was made. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b)(3); 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B); 11th Cir. R. 3-1.